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SUBJECT: KEREKOU INDICATED RELAXED ATTITUDE TOWARDS

CONTINUATION DAHOMEY' S ACCORDS WITH FRANCE

1. MRGD PRESIDENT KEREKOU, IN INTERVIEW WITH CORRESPONDENT JACQUES VIGNES OF AFRIQUE- ASIE ON JUNE 5, INDICATED MRGD IS IN NO HURRY TO REQUEST REVISION " COOPERATION ACCORDS" WITH FRANCE. SAID THAT REVISION IS NOT PROBLEM TO WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT GIVES HIGH PRIORITY, AND THAT AT PRESENT MRGD IS CONCENTRATING ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY ON INTERNAL PROBLEMS. " WHEN TIME COMES, WE WILL PROPOSE TO FRANCE AND TO OTHER FRIENDLY COUNTRIES, THE REVISION OF THE ACCORDS."

2. KEREKOU INDICATED PRIVATELY TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR LAST APRIL THAT MRGD HAD NO PLANS TO REQUEST REVISION OF ACCORDS WITH FRANCE. WHEN TEAM FROM COOPERATION SECRETARIAT OF QUAI VISITED COTONOU RECENTLY TO NEGOTIATE FRENCH ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR COMING YEAR, THEY TOO WERE GIVEN NO INDICATION THAT DAHOMEANS WERE PLANNING PRESS FOR REVISION OF ACCORDS. ON THE CONTRARY,
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REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE CONTINUED TO BE FRAMED, AS THEY HAVE IN
PAST, WITHIN CONTEXT OF EXISTING ACCORDS.
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